

REMARKS

I. Status of the Claims and Amendments

Claims 1, 2, 4-14, 21, 23-27, 29, 44 and 45 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 2, 4-14, 21, 23-27, 29, 44 and 45 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph for lack of enablement. Claims 1, 2, 4-14, 21, 23-27, 29, 44 and 45 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph for indefiniteness.

Applicants submitted an after final response on June 19, 2003, but the amendments included therein were not entered. Pursuant to discussions with Examiner Woitach, the undersigned submits the above-noted amendments with the understanding that they will be considered favorably and address the remaining rejections.

Support for the amendments is as follows:

Claims 1 & 2: claim 14; page 6, lines 1-3; pages 18-21; Examples 1 and 2, pages 62-66;

Example 3, page 66; page 6, lines 28-30.

Claim 21: page 17, lines 13-22; claim 14; page 6, lines 1-3, pages 18-21; Examples 1 and 2, pages 62-66.

Claim 26: claim 14; page 6, lines 1-3; pages 18-21; Examples 1 and 2, pages 62-66.

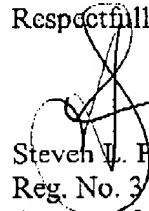
Claim 27: page 17, lines 13-22; claim 14; page 6, lines 1-3; pages 18-21; Examples 1 and 2, pages 62-66.

Claims 44 & 45: claim 14; pages 18-21; Examples 1 and 2, pages 62-66.

II. Conclusion

In light of the foregoing, applicants respectfully submit that all claims are in condition for allowance, and an early indication to that effect is earnestly solicited. Should Examiner Woitach have any questions regarding this response, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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